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Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Action dated May 13, 2003, which response is being made on or before June 13, 2003.

With respect to the species selection, Applicants hereby select SEQ ID NO: 1.

It is believed that Claims 1 and 9 are readable on the species.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to any one or more of the non-elected Groups.

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